fraternity, gaining from reluctant lips the "youth to go forth to die if need be." wants and needs of those who to care for is the glorious mission of the G. A. R. and its

Binney Sargent as Department Commander of ber, woman is loyal by birth, not marriage. Massachusetts a movement towards forming a permanent organization of the different auxiliaries in Massachusetts was instigated by A. A. | more thoroughly systematized our work. G. Jas. F. Meech. Securing the co-operation of the ladies of Fitchburg, Mass., an invitation was issued to every auxiliary in the State to hold a convention at the above-mentioned ment informing the comrades of the same; place. This resulted in the organization of the Woman's Relief Corps of Massachusetts auxiliary to the G. A. R. In the following year the ladies of New Hampshire united with those of Massachusetts, and the organization of the Union Board was effected, composed of the Department officers of each Department,

In 1881 Corps were organized in Connecticut and a strong effort made to enlist the ladies of Maine-already organized-to unite with us, but nothing of importance was accomplished. At the 14th annual Encampment the subject of woman's work was again agitated, resulting

Crabb, to carefully consider the subject and report at next Encampment. At the 15th Encampment, held at Indianapo-His, 1881, the following resolutions were reported

by the committee and adopted: Resolved. That we condially approve of the work which has already been done by the Woman's Relief Corps and every other organization of loyal women for the furtherance of the principles of

Besideed, That we approve of the project enter-tained of organizing a "Woman's National Relief Resolved. That such Woman's Relief Corps may use under such title the words "auxiliary to the G. A. R." by special indersement of the National En-

campment of the G. A. R., June 15, 1881. During the annual convention, W. R. C., Department Mass., 1883, Commander-in-Chief Van Dervoort visited the convention, and in most emphatic terms indorsed the work, complimenting the ladies in their earnest endeavor for the soldier, assuring them that the ambition of his administration was that a National organization should be perfected. This was followed by General Order No. 11, inviting all ladies interested to meet at Denver and

form a National organization, In response to this invitation, extended to every auxiliary in the Union as far as known, 16 States responded. After some preliminaries, the work of organizing was taken up. Many carnest remarks were made by Commanderin-Chief Van Dervoort, Chaplain-in-Chief Foster, Gen. Hazard, of Pa., and Commander Houghton, of N. J. On motion of Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood, of Ohio, it was unanimously voted to organize as the "Woman's National Relief

A COMPLIMENT TO MES. SHERWOOD. With 26 different organizations represented, I think the result gained very complimentary to woman's legislation, and I cannot refrain from upon that occasion; preferring, as she stated, obtained from him.

Encoses had been more complete. The question of loyal ladies involved a spirited

been adopted, and unlimited membership the good work. basis of organization, New Jersey, the only Department reporting besides Massachusetts, stated that they could not join with us, as they came instructed not to join the National of adoption by the convention of the Massaunite the ladies. From a loyal woman having no kin in the service-Mrs. L. A. Tornercame the motion to permit Departments to medium more successfully than is often the thus would be secured entire harmony. After partment of "Loyal Woman's Work" in The Carthage; Tod, Youngstown; Canton, Canton; resolution, the mistake.

AS FIRM AS EVER. Massachusetts is as firm as ever upon the above question; facts have proved beyond suggestions. a doubt that to-day she owes her success men were soldiers; not every loyal woman a soldier's wife.

We are told, as auxiliary to the G. A. R., we we are told, as auxiliary to the G. A. R., we should follow them—limit our membership to Convention will make you raier over many." grounds that they would lose the records they had made in their years of work. But this has been the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters. I Would most earnestly recommend that the obviated, as with Forsyth, Toledo, which gives its have never heard the idea advanced that we office of Secretary of National and Department date of organization March, 1879, as an Auxiliary, should limit the membership to these who were wives during the war; neither have I heard that the G. A. R. admit their fathers and brothers unless they were soldiers, also.

give them an honorary membership.

ber her prayers were following, amid shot and be very imperfect and unsatisfactory. shell, the bravest soldier in the land-hers. And thus of our noble country

We'll both be worthy. Let her show The feture how we made her free, Not spuring home, nor life, Nor this, * * this heartbreak.

him a better soldier, a truer man. A PICTURE PROM LIPE. Who of us cannot turn back to those days of trigl and see the picture from life.

The beautiful youth, He, the Hgin and life of us all Whose voice was blitbe as a bugle call, Whom all eyes followed with one consent. The cheer of whose laugh and whose pleasant

Husbed all murmurs of discontent. What soldier cannot remember the sequel? when those loving letters were welcome as sunshine, and no false pride kept the soldier from allowing his comrades to know how he was blessed. And, then, can he recall the following day's work-the result! The duty that was his to return to the maiden her messages

And see in a vision how far and fleet That fater built went specifing forth Till it received a town in the distant North, Till it reached a house in a snany street, Till it renched a heart that censed to best Without a murmur, without a cry; And a bolt was tolled in that far-off town For the who had passed from cross to crown,

And the neighbors wondered that she should And now, when so "purified as by fire," she "The man of God had not joined our hands: while working together in the cause we love God kimself had wedded our hearts." shall so well. we say, "Stand aside; you are not worthy! We have only honor enough to extend over the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of our formation of Departments and organizing heroes, and unless ranked among those you Corps; to comrades who have assisted as incannot work under our banner to relieve those stalling officers, I would tender my grateful

and place, to exemplify the glorious threefold enlist the attention of the noblest of our land; Relief Corps, an honor and a privilege duly appreing her Loyalty by extending to her our Fra- | ward to join hands with us. Nothing has given | ternity. So, while we enjoy the blessing of me more pleasure than the spirit of earnest-

of aiding the unfortunate, reverently, in true | who answered when the country invoked her Now take my sweetest without pause,

To help the Nation's cause. I beg every one of this Convention to lay aside all personal feeling on this question, and During the administration of Gen. Horace | do justice to the cause we represent. Remem-The limited time we could devote to the organization left it very imperfect, and I trust ere the close of the convention we shall have THE ORGANIZATION.

Immediately on the organization communication was sent in to the National Encampthat on the 26th day of July, 1883, the Woman's National Relief Corps was organized and asked its approval. Some discussion ensued; the comrades were anxious to take no steps that should in any way infringe upon their glorious Order. This watchfulness we commended, and still our hearts were troubled that any doubt should arise in the minds of the veterans that for their assistance alone were we organized. The result of the discussion was the following resolution:

Resolved, That we cordially hail the organization of a National Relief Corps, and extend our greetof woman's work was again agitated, resulting ing to them. We return our warmest thanks to in the appointing of a committee, consisting of the loyal women of the land for their earnest work, support and encouragement, and bid them God-speed in their patriotic work. Comrades J. F. Lovering, Geo. Bowers, and B.

Thus securing their indorsement, we stand to-day second to the most glorious charitable organization in the land-a society embracing every color, every nationality, every religion. With this baptism we commenced our year's

Before our return home we were invited to counsel with the Commander-in-Chief, at which he assured us of his warmest support during

his administration. Immediately upon our return to Massachu-Pemberton Square, Boston, by invitation of Dept. Com. Evans. This was, indeed, an indorsement of our work, as by extending the courtesy of Headquarters, Dep't. Mass., G. A. R., he also secured for us the valuable assistance of the Assistant Adjutant-General of the Department; also, the advice of the comrades of the Department, who are so proud of the Order in their State.

The question of how to meet the immediate demands of supplies was a serious question, as we had to immediately contract a heavy printing bill, with only \$45 in the treasury. It was solve, but again was the needed assistance proffered us by Comrade E. B. Stillings, who had enabled us to present so complete printed matter at Convention from Massachusetts, assuring us we were to order what we should need, and meet bills when able. Our badges were obtained by similar courtesy from the manufacturer. You can appreciate our desire to pay

these bills as promptly as possible. The careful report of the Tressurer will give

GEN. BEATH'S VISITS.

Early in the year the Commander-in-Chief came to our Headquarters to consult with us, complimenting Mrs. Sherwood-the pioneer in assuring us we should not delay our work for Corps work. This plan was threefold; (1) to call the National work-for the position she took lack of funds or any assistance that could be upon the Auxiliary Societies, working under the

the interest of harmony, and advised those diers' Home in Massachusetts was he the guest preferring open meeting to submit to the testi- of the National Officers of Woman's Relief of secret work. Thus, through her endeavor, ness and fraternal spirit he has extended to us was one point of wide difference overcome. Had as officers during the year. With his many debate. The work of Massachusetts had already | given us great encouragement to go on in the

Starting out for the year an effort was made to divide the work into something like a system, but in its crude state it was found an impossibility. The officers in the extreme West organization if that measure prevailed. Here | were unable to render the assistance they were occurred what many have termed our great | most willing to, through no fault of theirs or mistake. I cannot yet consider it as such. their associates. Thus, the burden has fallen President herself. Here was a sister State desiring to unite, they rather heavily upon the executive officers. informed us, but unable to do so on account of Mrs. Sherwood, our Senior Vice, early assumed instructions received from t'eir Department; | the position of Instituting and Installing Offi-Instructions received from t eir Department; the position of Instituting and Installing Offi-knowing of their good work and carnest effort cer for the Western States, with power to apthe delegates from Massachusetts felt that now | point her assistants. How faithfully she has was her hour; having received the compliment | performed that duty, results give evidence.

THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE'S WORK. Thus have we counseled together through this thereby giving the Department of New Jersey opportunity to unite with us, trusting that opportunity to unite with us, trusting that line of duty. She has also conducted the dethis concession on the part of Massachusetts, National Tribune in our interest, through Stout, Fayette; Brint and McBride, Richfield. These which they acknowledge most graceful, they whose columns we have reaped such a rich harstill stand aloof. I think the result, not the vest. To the editor of THE TRIBUNE-that

been faithful over a few things, I trust this

Corps be made an appointive one. It is very important that the Secretary should not only be a competent, faithful officer, but also one upon our Rocky Mountain trip, the names of De-who will work in unison with the President. partment Commanders and others interested in the This important question must receive our | This, I am told, makes the Secretary a cipher: most careful consideration. First, let us re- granted! She will then increase the value tenmember we are banded together to assist the fold, if placed on the President's right, becom-G.A.R. Second, we should remember that not | ing valueless if placed upon her left. The report an organization was Col. Sterrett, P. C., from the soldier alone came all the sacrifice; President is held responsible for both offices; many a brave woman's duty in hospital, yea, therefore it would seem but just she should be word the loyal ladies of the western border of Mison the murch and in the field hospital, would given the power to make her own choice. This compare in deeds of valor with that of the sol- is the method followed by the G. A. R., and I Commanders personally addressed were C. T. dier. To-day many a soldier in the gratitude sm informed is most successful. Personally I Clarke, Ohio; H. T. Harper, Illinois; O. A. James, of his heart testifies to the value of women as | cannot testify against an elected Secretary. norses during the war. You tell me we will having always been favored with the most efficient officers by selection of the Convention; But, my friends, there is another contestant | but in this my experience has not been that of for our consideration. Having disposed of the the many—my good fortune has been that my bepartment, who had promised to lead off in the nurses, what shall we do with the maiden choice has been indorsed by Convention. No work in that State. Not until they had declined to through whose veins coursed the same proud more earnest and efficient Secretary could go on, owing to some dissatisfaction with the terms blood, in whose heart was the same love of have been selected than was secured to me by self in behalf of National Headquarters. freedom as in that of her true, manly lover's, vote of last Convention. But with this faithwho, with white lips and almost breaking ful, devoted officer, how disastrous it would be Howe, of Toledo, in April last, a new interest has beart, folded away the wedding garments, not to have one who would make your work sprung up in that State. making her sacrifice in the silest chamber, her pleasant duty and your policy hers. I can

> AN ADVISORY BOARD. I also have realized the importance of an Advisory Board, to which to refer the many questions incumbent upon the President to de-

good judgment may not bankrupt her. The Secretary is to follow me with a consolidated report of our condition, and I fear the I was present at the meeting, and met in open ses

I desire to call the careful attention to the Treasurer's report. This part of our work may when Lois F. S. Holbrooke, of Toledo, was present not admit of so much sentiment in report as and conducted the meeting. Col. Rush J. Shank, some others, but a careful examination of the of Lansing, having been elected Department Com books and the knowledge of the prompt manthe Relief Corps as his popular predecessor, and in
at that place. ner in which every duty of the office has been his General Orders following the Encampment com-

who know aught of the care of the same. During the year the National Order has been represented upon several occasions by the officers. I cannot lengthen this report to give a detailed account. I have visited New Hampshire, Connecticut and Maine. I have written of love, and tell her of the bullet's fatal work, over a thousand letters; and, while my mistakes may have been many, I have never for-

gotien my pledge-that to the best of my ability would I perform my duty. execution of this obligation has been made possible by your kindly assistance. Your care and formed and rapid growth and development. Wiswatchfulness that I should make no grave mistored takes have touched my heart perhaps even formed June 7, with Chara B. Stoane as President, G., Mrs. Nancy Mull. more than your prompt response to all my decomes to our doors asking leave to work with mands upon your time and patience. Truly, from the Wisconsin Corps. us for her lover's comrades, under shield of the | no administration can ever have a more harletters, which the death of her hero and such monious term. I have desired to so conduct of Ohio, Michigan and Illinois were appointed a tainment last month, which was a great sucas he made possible, we ignore her past, and | the office that the great demand made upon sek, "Had you a husband in the war?" her heart | your time and talent may be forgotten in Enswers, "Yes!" but lips must say "No!" remembrance of the pleasure we have received

you may be united to by their common sor- thanks, not only for the work, but the manner in which it was performed. And I am proud

nent stand, and I trust that success will indeed crown their efforts. "To the women of Massachusetts is due the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts." savs the President.

Through your works have you become known

to me, and the reports from every section on Memorial Day assured me that you were lending your influence to make that day what it should be—not alone a holiday, but a holy day.

In closing my year, which has been one of Lottie L. Myers, in the work of organization, canunremitting labor for this cause so dear to me, I extend to you my thanks for the courtesy shown me, for your kindly bearing with my failures to perform all you may have desired, Bacon and Mrs. Holbrooke, heretofore mentioned Bacon and Mrs. Holbrooke, heretofore mentioned by the tender words of encouragement, the charity extended to Headquarters-all of which are prized reminders that the object of the Order is more than empty words. I trust we shall never forget the hour of our birth, July | rial Day Order. 26, 1883, in the Centennial State-the object, the encouragement, the responsibility, but, with love for our Order, move on in the line of his orphan and widow have received the tender care we pledged so willingly when calling on them to help the Nation's cause. May the Great Commander of us all guide and direct us. Ind.,

MRS. SHERWOOD'S REPORT. The Gratifying Growth of the Woman's Relief Corps in the West. OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT,

TOLEDO, O., July 15, 1884. E. FLORENCE BARKER, lational President, Woman's Relief Corps: I have the honor to make the first annual report of the Vice-President, Woman's Relief Corps. For the year ending July 15, 1884, I have sent out 263 applications for charter, with instructions in organization; have written over 800 personal letters on Heifef-Corps work; issued three sets of general circulars; have directly, or through my immediate assistants, instituted 30 Relief Corps and five State Departments; have received over 500 letters for the Woman's Department, NATIONAL TRIBUNE, acsetts Headquarters were established at No. 12 knowledging many of these by postal or letter, and Pembertan Square Roston, by invitation of answering questions according to my information, or after receiving from you an official decision. Of applications sent out, 205 were upon applications received through the Woman's Department of The NATIONAL TRIBUNE, and it is gratifying to report that of that number fully four-fifths have reported organization and work; others are forming, and only two or three have reported temporary disagement, but the intention to go on with their work at some future time. It has been my care, as far as possible, to follow up each society forming and to render such aid and encouragement as was possible at the distance we were removed from

At Denver you asked me to "look after the Upon returning and looking over the sit-West," a problem hard for our competent Treasurer to uation, I became convinced that the West was a mighty territory to cover. I therefore asked that I be made Chief Instituting and Installing Officer for the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Michi-gan, with the power to take such steps and appoint such assistants as might be necessary to the work. The appointment was granted, coupled with the general discretionary power, under official sanction, to extend my labors into other States and Territories, as the demand might arise, or as I might have the time to give for the same. This seemed necessary, as with the rush, after Denver, for the first six months, we were all very hard pressed to supply information and service fast

The plan of work proposed for myself has been carried out, though it has been less in its accomplishment can it was hoped, owing to the fact that the time was limited which came to me for Relief Toledo plan, to reorganize; (2) to communicate work, she gracefully waived a point in Again, on the 22d of February, at the Sol- with Department and Post Commanders, particutalking Relief Corps after Denver and upon our Rocky Mountain excursion; (3) to continue my mony of these having already the experience | Corps, and I desire to thank him for the kind- | charge of the Woman's Department of THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE, temporarily assumed, through the recommendation of Commander-in-Chief Van Dervoort, and to do what I could to create an inthe same spirit pervaded the hearts of all our duties he has ever given us the kindest atten- terest among the Posts by the publication of letters tion; this from him, and like favors from the and communications from comrades all over the comrades in nearly every Department, has country, who had tried the experiment of a Relief Corps and found it a success. To THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, which had made the National Relief Corps a living possibility, to its readiness to supply printed instructions and to give so much of its valuable space to Relief Corps records, coupled with its ringing editorials upon the necessity and the value of woman's work in the G. A. R., must be attributed largely the success that has crowned our efforts everywhere. And no more cordial recognition has been made of this than by the National

My first care upon returning from Denver, early in August, was to place myself in direct communication with the Ohio Auxiliaries, asking them some apprehension, since I was well aware of their partiality for open meetings, as, like Forsyth Auxiliary of Toledo, they were all working on the Adding to all this that of counselor, during Toledo plan. At Denver I had made applications chusetts work she could now do something to the year she has written me over 160 messages. for charters for these Auxiliaries, conditional upon their reorganization, and had the happiness to see Forsyth, Toledo, take her place as No. 1, Department of Ohio, without a dissenting vote. Ford Auxiliary, Toledo, declined, after due deliberation, to re-Corps were speedily mustered, and have formed strong missionary centers throughout the State; while among the 55 Relief Corps, numbered by the earnest advocate of our cause—are we greatly | Department of Ohio to date, are numbers of stanch indebted for the use of his paper, his hearty | Auxiliaries all bound together by stronger and truer indorsement, and many important and wise | ties than was possible under their independent or-

ganization. Correspondence was not confined to the Ohio I dare not write words of merited praise Auxiliaries, but extended to Michigan, Pennsylto loyal women and their work. Not all loyal which I could not trust my trembling voice to vania, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Kansas, Coloutter, but like them of old I can say: "Well rado and California, and in all these States the done thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things I trust this of these hesitated about reorganizing, upon the reorganization as a Relief Corps, November, 1883,

the date of initiation. From my memorandum-book kept at Denver, and Relief Corps were taken, and the information they asked was forwarded. In nearly all instances the promise extended to do personal work in their own Post, or Department, has been kept. The last to Custer Post, St. Joseph, Mo. True to a soldier's souri are now enrolled, and will be represented at the Minneapolis Convention. The Department Michigan; T. J. Anderson, through H. V. Devendorf, Kansas, and Phil. Cheek, jr., Wisconsin. Col. Carnahan, of Indiana, was not addressed by me for the reason that Indiana was represented in conorganization of Shiloh Corps, Elkhart, by Mrs.

From the Commanders whose names are recorded, most cordial and efficient aid was given, and while she prayed for strength to go forth to bid her all good by and charge him to rememupon the Posts was granted and presented in terms o excite the warmest gratitude. Col. Cheek, of Wisconsin, following the honored example of the honored Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, made the recommendation a part of his first Gen-eral Order after Denver, and Gen. James, of Michigan, embodied it in his General Order convening the cide, and I trust you will authorize such a Department in annual meeting at Detroit, January So did she impart strength to him, making body, that the demands upon your President's 23, 1884. The result of my conference with Gen, im a letter saidier a treat man of Michigan, to meet at Detroit simultaneously with the Department, and form a State Department promise I have given her not to intrude upon her grounds will not permit me to remark upon but, as but few regular delegates were present, it was deemed best to adjourn the meeting to Lansing, the State Capital, to a date to be fixed later. conducted, must elicit the admiration of all mended Loyal Woman's Work and the establishment of a Corps in connection with every Post. Lansnost proper that she be elected Department President, which office she is filling with zeal and credit For valuable assistance in Michigan I am indebted to Comrade W. L. Smith, editor of the Veteran, which has a column devoted to the Relief Corps of

The Department of Kansas, through Col. H. X. Devendorf, A. A. G., was zealous from the first, and I would say to my associate officers that the through the active and unceasing encouragement of the Department and the comrades, Kansas stands Mrs. Minerva Hemerick; Sec., Miss Viole close to Ohio in the number and influence of Corps and which was instituted by the Department Commander. Some of the most inspiriting letters come

Conference Committee from the Encampment to confer with the ladies assembled. Gov. Richard J. Oglesby, of Illinois, was appointed by Col. Harper Decatur, June 30, when the Department was formed, and gave them a cordial indorsement and Godspeed in their work. Lois L. S. Holbrooke, of Toledo, instituted the Department. Julia G. Sine,

Mrs. H. P. Cutting; Chap., Mrs. Jos. Kimble; Con., Mrs. A. N. Stafford; G., Mrs. P. McLaugh-lin. of Rockford, who had been serving as Instituting Officer, was elected President. The officers of the Relief Corps, with the Instituting Officer, were invited to seats on the platform at the Encampment Camp-fire. Gov. Oglesby and Gen. Beath, Commander-in-Chief, were both eloquent in their appeals for Loyal Woman's Work, and Mrs. Hol-

ciated by us all.

A Conference Committee, appointed by Gen. Janes at Detroit, after full explanation of the char- corset most affected by the society lady. our returned soldier, install her among us in the honored place of the soldier's friend, fear-fing not to trust the cause in the hands of those subject upon which many are taking a promi-

half of the National Relief Corps, I felt proud to

A Conference Committee, appointed by Col. Clarke at Zanesville, made a favorable report to the Encampment, and here the Relief Corps delegates were honored in the request to be present at the installation of Department officers, and the Department President joined me, by request, in replying to congratulations and explaining the objects of our work. A special mention of the invaluable not be estimated, and her election to the position she is filling so acceptably was particularly gratiited every Post fying to me. Other able and untiring assistants all of Toledo. Col. H. P. Lloyd, the present Department Commander of Ohio, has given us noble assistance, recommending the establishment of worthy of special mention are: Relief Corps in General Orders and specially calling

Miss Sibley made the trip to St. Paul, Neb., to be present, April 2, at the institution of the Department of Nebraska and aid Louise M. Merrill, with love for our Order, move on in the line of duty until every soldier who were the blue, with whom I had held considerable communication. Miss Sibley was hospitably received and showered with kindnesses by both comrades and

upon the Relief Corps to aid the Posts in his Memo-

June 7, Mrs. Bacon, of Toledo, visited Elkhart, Ind., and instituted the Department of Indiana, with Hattie A. Floyd, of Kendallville, as President. The Department Convention was held under the auspices of Shiloh Post and Corps, and the ladies tendered a reception in the evening at the Opera

To the organization of eight of the 10 charter Corps in Pennsylvania I had the pleasure of contributing by correspondence; also, to many of the charter Corps of New York, Maine, Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado, and had the honor of aiding Mrs. M. E. Hausbeck, Chief Instituting and Install-ing Officer and present Secretary of the Depart-ment of New York, in the duty assigned her of instituting and convening the charter Corps for the formation of a Department. But the greatest pleasure I have known in this work has been to aid in the formation of Relief Corps in California, Washington Territory and Dakota. From Maine to California, through New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Missouri, Da-kota, Nebraska and Kansas, Colorado to Cali-fornia, Oregon and Washington Territory, runs this strong heart-chain of Union, broken by the rocky slopes and semi-civilization of Utah and Nevada. In all that wide expanse of country we measure its magnificent distance to-day, not by houses and lands, by gold heaped up and vast possessions, but by the strong fraternal attachme which have rooted themselves, firm and fast, in the hearts of soldier comrades and the warm, sympathetic nature of the loval women, whose best energies are concentrated to the disabled veterans of the Union and to their widows and orphans. My ville, and his cordial indersement of our work, and for the opportunity extended to members of Forsyth Relief Corps and comrades of Forsyth Post to meet him in my own home January 24, 1884, upon his A large and commodious as well as elegant him in my own home January 24, 1884, upon his return from Detroit, Also, to the Department Commanders and others already named, as well as to Senior Vice Commander R. B. Brown, of Ohio; Department Chaplain T. C. Wirner, of Ohio; Past Commander J. S. Kountz, of Ohio; Col. Austin ment Commander E. C. Babb, of Minnesota; Maj. Franklin, of Nebraska, and Commander Carnaban, of Indiana, for many favors received.

who preferred the open auxiliary society, on the work upon the part of any has not only removed any objections we may have entertained against it, but that we unite in saying that we find a greater the development of greater talent, an increased spirit of fraternity, a growth of charity, and an interest that borders upon enthusiasm where often before the individual was moved by a simple sense of duty. We, therefore, frankly and unconditionally lay this tribute before Relief Corps work, and will never cease to congratulate ourselves that He who governs in the affairs of men chose wisely for us in shaping events at Denver. Again, it will be remembered that I was among

those who warmly approved the eligibility of all loyal women, with the important qualifications of willingness to work for the soldier and of good moral character. If I were strong in that faith then, I am, if possible, more earnest now. In Ohio, where the question has never been raised and where applications are pouring in upon the Department daily, the loyal woman feels that she has the same right and privilege in a Relief Corps that she would have in a church or benevolent society. It is understood that the very word auxiliary means a helper, and as her earnest desire is to help the soldier, where else could she do it so well as in a society pledged to soldier work. Fully one half of our organizers and untiring workers in the Corps are only loyal women, and on the staff of our Department President are several who have done Spartan service in the institution of Corps. To expel loyal women from our Ohio Relief Corps would e a blow at the noble record of Ohio in the war, since hosts of the noble women who worked for us then are with us now. It kives me great pleasure to say that the feeling in nearly all the Corps and all the Departments formed, save one, is unanimous for individual loyalty as the first qualification for membersh

In conclusion, I wish to place myself on record as in favor of entarging and extending the power for good of the National Relief Corps by the establish-ment of a general relief fund by every Department, as well as by National Headquarters, to be used in the cases of army nurses and other loyal women who may have rendered important service to their country in time of war, and who are now, in their declining years, after struggling along for a bare subsistence, left to die friendless and unknown, without even the means to secure hospital attend ance. Such a case is that of the noble and gifted Anna Elia Carroll, who planned some of the most important campaigns of the war, and who did more than any other by her writings and personal efforts to hold Maryland true to the Union. A relief fund, in the hands of the National President, to be judiciously used to relieve some present distress in a case like this, would be a divine benediction upon many a sorrowing one who has been cast aside by a forgetful people to fill a pauper's grave. I would have the National Relief Corps memorialize Congress from every State and Territory in the Unionand they have now the organization to do it-asking Congress not only to provide fittingly for the widows and orphans of soldiers, but to grant an nonorable pension to every woman who gave her pest services, her dearest hopes, for the salvation their country's battles.

of her country and the care of the men who fought Refore closing I would bear testimony to the noble zeal and broad and enlightened policy that has characterized the executive officers of the National Relief Corps. To the President, Mrs. E. Flor-ence Barker, the Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Fuller, and the Treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Turner. With each and all my relations have been frank, fraternal and cordial. in all our intercourse we have withheld nothing, discussed all matters freely, and, laying aside all personal preferences or individual opinions, have done everything in a common effort to promote the welfare of the National Relief Corps.

To you, my dear President, my most leving thanks are due for the unbounded measure of trust and confidence you have bestowed upon me; for your gentle forbearance when my importunities have been sometimes exacting; and for the example placed before me in a nature overflowing with generous impulses and sweet womanly sympathies. Each and all must ever dwell in my heart as among my stanchest, truest, most trusted friends I have the honor to be, yours, in F., C. and L.,

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

Relief Corps News from the Various Departments of the Order. The Department of Indiana was instituted at Elkhart, July 8, by Miss Nellie Bacon, Toledo, O. Officers: Pres., Miss Hattie Floyd, Kendalville; S. V. P., Miss. Mary Childs, Madison; J. V. P., Mrs. Titus, Elkhart; Sec., Mrs. Jan Brazil; Treas., Miss Amanda Murdock, Brazil Ins., Mrs. Addie Hall, Kendalville. Mrs. Clara N. Hurt, Clinton, Iowa, informs

us that a Relief Corps is about to be organized A Relief Corps auxiliary to Jesse Nelson Post, No. 62, of Tecumseh, Kan., was recently organing had already pledged herself to the work, and | ized. Officers: Pres., Mrs. Ellen E. Read; S. V. Mrs. Shank was President of the large and flourishing Corps, Charles T. Foster, at that place. It was Chap. Mrs. Carrie A. Riley: Sec., Mrs. Maria Chap., Mrs. Carrie A. Riley; Sec., Mrs. Maria C. Faxon; Treas., Mrs. Esther Campbell; Con., Mrs. Carrie Kerr; G., Mrs. Alice Leieurance. J. D. Zimmerman, Leipsic, O.: On the 9th instant, Mrs. Mary Zimmerman instituted Relief Corps, No. 46, at Belmore, with 20 charter members. Officers: Pres., Mrs. Mary M. Hickerson; S. V. P., Mrs. Elizabeth Fitch; J. V. P.

Mrs. J. R. Dey, Stromsburg, Neb.: J. A Mower Relief Corps, No. 11, which was organ-By special request, the Department Commanders | ized here March 22d last, gave its first entercess. Officers: Pres., Mrs. H. C. Graves; S. V. Most of the Departments will forward supple-P., Mrs. W. C. Bartholomew; J. V. P., Mrs. O. to head the Conference Committee in that State. W. Cole; Sec., Mrs. M. L. Pembleton; Treas., The Committee visited the ladies at their hall at Mrs. H. P. Cutting; Chap., Mrs. Jos. Kimble; W. Cole; Sec., Mrs. M. L. Pembleton; Treas.,

Kline; Treas., Mrs. Lydia Rader; Chap., Mrs.

The Latest Craze. [N. Y. Sun.]

The latest craze is to invite Christy minstrels, who for years have been consigned to the lowest and most vulgar form of public entertainment, to fashionable parties, and the latest a waistcoat which, going down on the hips, is | Kentucky. called the swanbill, a name borrowed from the | Maine ...

"Buchu-paiba," Great Kidney and Urinary

THE J.-V.-C.'S REPORT.

The Condition of the Order on the Pacific Coast. Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief Walter B. Holmes reports from San Francisco, under date | Gain by Transfer. Gain by Reinstatement of July I, that new life seems to have been in- Total gain ... fused into the Departments of Oregon and Washington Territory, and the membership there has increased 25 per cent. since Aug. 1, 1983, and that nowhere else can there be found comrades more loyal to the cause. He has vis-

IN CALIFORNIA, and finds them, without exception, in a flourishing condition. Among those which are

Lincoln Post, No. 1; Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 2; Sumner Post, No. 3; Frank Bartlett Post, No. 6; Ellsworth Post, No. 20; W. H. L. Wallace Post, No. 32; Jas. A. Garfield Post, No. 34; John A. Dix Post, No. 42; Gen. Meade Post, No. 46, and Appomattox Post, No. 50; these Posts having taken the lead in the matter of recruiting, as well as the work performed and through which the success of the Deformed and through which the success of the Department has been attained. The number of Posts in the Department of Cali-fornia, up to date of June 30, 1883, was 44, with a membership of 2,615 comrades. Since that date 11 new Posts have been added to the roster, and the

number of members has been swelled to 3,392, a gain of 777 comrades. During the year seven Posts have been dropped, but even with this loss, a gain has been made over the number of a year ago of our, the number of Posts being now 48, every one of which is established on a firm basis and in a thoroly good condition.

A SANDWICH ISLAND POST.

The report says: st, No. 45, of this Department, located at Honoulu, H. I., far off our western shore, in mid-ocean; n a strange country surrounded by a strange peo-

A Grand Army Post of 33 members not only exists, but has made its influence most potently felt for good, and have won a name for charitable deeds and for loyal and earnest work that called forth the warm plaudits of native and foreign alike, and the hearty recognition of the "King," who, on last Memorial Day, accompanied by the royal gentlemen of his suite, paid sacred tribute of respect to "Our Soldier Dead," who lie entombed in that furoff foreign clime, over whose graves the comrades of George W. De Long Post strewed their floral offerings in loving remembrance.

A VETERANS' HOME. Your earnest attention is directed to the Veterans' Home, which has been established in this State by the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic of this Department, aided by the generous con-

tributions of our loyal citizens, within whose walls special acknowledgments are due to the Commander-in-Chief, Robert B. Beath, for important advice, whenever consulted; for his encouragement and support at Detroit, Decatur, and Zanes-Nearly 900 acres, two-thirds of which is valuable arable land, is comprised as the property of the Vet-

building has already been erected as the main portion of the Home, while several smaller ones give accommodation to the inmates that are now being cared for at this place. Nearly \$40,000 has already been raised through the exertions of our comrades Curtin, of Pennsylvania; Capt. C. H. Barton, of of the Grand Army, which has been judiciously Kansas; Gen. H. B. Bowen, of Nebraska; Departament of and wisely expended. Much, however, has yet to be done in the way of raising funds before the Home can be entirely completed and the institution placed on a sure and sound basis. The com-It will be borne in mind that I was among those rades are not, however, weary, and they mean to continue their efforts until completion crowns their old Aid Society plan, to the secret work of the Re- labors and a Home is made for every old veteran lief Corps, and only waived my objection to the in our State who needs its shelter. The Legislalatter in the interest of harmony and union. In ture of the State of California at its last regular seslatter in the interest of harmony and union. In our own (Forsyth) Corps and in our State there were many who held to the same views and who surrendered those views for the same reasons. It may rendered those views for the same reasons. It may now be proper to say that the adoption of secret | ration of six months from date of admission. This will not be available until September next for any portion of those now resident therein, therefore it Florida, the condition of the Posts and the is necessary to keep up the contributions in order | Order is very good, indeed. He was unable to interest among members, more prompt attendance, | to provide for their maintenance, and no more ear- | obtain reports from Vermont, Iowa, Washingnest work has been performed to this end than is now being carried on by the ladies of the Auxiliary Relief Corps of Lincoln Post, No. 1, of which the wife of our Past Department Commander, C. Mason and insufficient. In regard to Kentucky, he Kinne, is President. Sub-committees have been | says: appointed and are continually at work to advance the welfare of the Home, their labors being rewarded with great success, and it is hoped by all that soon our hearts will be made glad by the full attainment of our desire in this respect.

THE ADJ'T-GEN'S. REPORT. The Statistics of the Order for the Past Year-Organization of New Departments and Substantial

Growth in the Old. Adj't-Gen. J. M. Vanderslice's report is dated at Headquarters in Philadelphia, July 15. He reports at the beginning of Gen. Beath's term there were 32 Permanent and four Provisional Departments, with a total membership in good standing for the quarter ending March 31, 1883, of 146,183. There are now 36 Permanent Departments, with a mem-bership in good standing, March 31, 1884, of 233,595, being a gain of 87,412 members. During the year the following Permanent Departments were organ-

Utah-Embracing Utah, Montana and Idaho, Organized Oct. 19, 1883. Headquarters at Ogden. Tennessee and Georgia-Embracing Tenness Georgia and Alabama. Organized Feb. 25, 1884. Headquarters at Nashville. Gulf—Embracing Louisiana, Texas and Mississippi. Organized May 15, 1884. Headquarters at Florida-Organized June 19, 1884, Headquarters

at Key West. FLORIDA.

In regard to the Department of Florida, the Adjutant-General says: Florida was reported upon the roster as a Provisional Department, but I could find no report of its strength or condition, and after fruitless efforts to btain a report from the Headquarters at Pensacola or Warrington, through the exertion of Comrade B. F. Stearns, Assistant Inspector-General, I was enabled to get reports from the Posts direct, which showed that there were in the Department two Posts, with a membership between them of 28barely sufficient to fill the Department and Post offices. With your sanction the Provisional De-partment was at once disbanded, and the Posts ordered to report direct to National Headquarters. Since then five good Posts have been organized in the State, and a Permanent Department organized. This has been accomplished to some extent through acquaintances in the State, but principally through the efforts of Comrade B. F. Stearns, to whom the credit properly belongs. From the reports received of the large number of Union soldiers from the North who have made their homes in Florida, there is every reason to believe that we shall soon have a good Department there composed of the

very best material. The Adjutant-General is opposed to the creation of any more Provisional Departments: "If Posts should be established in any State in which there is no Department Organization, they should be either attached to an adjoining Department or be rdered to report direct to National Headquarters, antil a Permanent Department is organized, as in this manner there can be that direct communication with and direct supervision by experienced comrades so necessary in the incipiency of the Order.

The following table shows the gains by the Departments during the year:

Departm's.	June 30, 1883.		March 31, 1884.		Gain since Mar. 31,'83,	
	Number Posts.	Member- ship.	Number Posts.	Member- ship.	Posts.	Members.
Arkansas California Colorado Connectic't Dakota Delaware Florida Gulf Illinois Indiana Indiana Kansas Kentucky Maryland Massach'ts. Michigan Minnesota Missourl Nebraska	11 2 4 804 207 199 252 17 75 81 156 151 32 108 156	229 2,429 1,901 8,637 210 458 28 122 11,300 8,843 7,562 12,094 680 5,235 2,057 13,772 7,470 1,292 4,063 5,593	12 50 52 58 12 5 6 868 814 307 813 14 104 83 161 235 84 164 177	432 2,830 2,338 4,118 1,470 548 124 280 17,288 14,366 13,183 17,254 860 6,733 2,100 14,711 11,798 3,527 6,631 6,456	12 7 26 11 58 1 3 11 225 165 196 136 88 7 8 7 120 61 97 50	432 619 635 904 1,280 172 9,781 7,770 8,785 8,856 340 2,240 116 6,416 2,553 4,042 2,053
N. Hamp N. Jersey N. Mexico New York. Ohio Oregon Penn Potomac R. island Tenn& Geo Utah Vermont Virginia Wisconsin W. Va Wash. Ter.	78 6 381 295 17 854 9 12 4 2 2 56 9 89 18	3,318 5,205 172 23,252 19,300 628 28,284 1,635 855 136 99 1,778 440 4,040 564 844	68 84 10 478 409 23 416 9 12 15 11 71 11 151 22 10	3,644 5,279 301 27,115 23,329 697 31,476 1,706 949 547 314 2,658 6,737 806 463	11 22 123 116 11 100 1 1 15 9 22 1 83 10 3	595 475 3014 7,751 217 5,596 257 145 411 206 572 147 3,745 450 151
	ļ	178,811	ļ	233,595	5	87,412

gains for the quarter ending June 30, 1884. mental reports, which will largely increase the gains. Gain. State.

88 Missouri... Arkansas. Nebraska.. Colorado... 60 New Hampshire 433 New Jersey. 375 New Mexico .. Dakota 47 New York..... Delaware ... Florida..... .1,893 Pennsylvania 2,008 Indiana... Potomac. Rhode Island...... Iowa... Tenn. and Georgia Utah. Vermont. Massachusetts. Virginia .. 82 West Virginia...... 492 Wisconsin..... Maryland 997 Washington Ter...

RECAPITULATION. Members reported in good standing March 31, 1883...... 146,183 Gain by muster in ... 124,323 270,506 Loss by deaths during the year Loss by Honorable Discharge. Loss by Transfer ... 28,801 36,911 Members in good standing March 31, 1884... Membership reported for June 253,895 Number of Posts, March 31, 2,575 Number of Posts, March 31, 4,325 Net gain in membership dur-Net gain in Posts. Number of members of the G. A. R. relieved.

Number others ... Amount expended for relief The amount reported as expended for relief does not properly represent the amount actually expended, as many Posts are not particular in this respect, and some of them make no report of the amount expended in charity.

Total loss.

The report contains a number of very valuable tables and compilations, which we would Special attention is called to George W: De Long | very much like to give did not lack of space absolutely prohibit it. We must, however, make room for the following extracts:

THE LARGE LOSS BY SUSPENSION. The very heavy loss during the year of 28,801 by uspension, with a gain by reinstatement of only 15,311 calls for very serious consideration. I am convinced that the principal cause of this is incompetent or, what is still worse, negligent Post officers encumbered with such officers no Post can prosper It is to be regretted that this heavy loss should be due to such officers, and it is to be regretted still more that Posts will persist in exercising so little judgment and care in the selection of their officers after being so often warned as to what the results

of carelessness will surely be.

I would also call attention to the fact that 5,834 mrades have taken transfer eards during the year, while but 3,957 have again joined the Order.

OUR DEATH ROLL. During the past year 1,897 of our comrades have een summoned from the fellowship of the Post to ross the river that borders Eternity. A whole origade of the old army have been detailed from our midst for duty with the battalions that have gone in advance. How forcibly, how painfully we are reminded how few must be the years before our rand Army shall bivouac with the dead until the eille of the Resurrection, and the glorious mem ries of our Order shall live only in history. Until then may no act of our Order stain its proud record and bright escutcheon.

INSP.-GEN.'S REPORT. The Condition of the Order in the Various Depart-

ments. Insp.-Gen. C. A. Santmyer's report is dated at Carthage, O., June 30. He reports that in the Departments of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Dakota, Gulf, Tennessee and Georgia, and ton Territory, and New Mexico, while the reports from other Departments are meager I have personally inspected the Department

about May 1, receiving from the former adminis-965. This being a new Department no books or accounts were received by him, and a majority of the Posts were in arrears for dues, etc. The Commander and his A. A. G., Chas. Rademacher, and the A. Q. M., Gen. L. R. Hathorn, have labored diligently since they have been in office to straighten up the affairs of the Department. They master-General have opened a complete set of accounts, and ere long the Department of Ken-tucky will be found in a prosperous condition. The present officers deserve credit for the fair con-

Posts have been inspected. THE Q. M. G's REPORT. The Receipts, Expenditures and General Finances

of the Order. Q. M. Gen. John Taylor's report embraces ments of receipts and expenditures. These are | we halted at a cross-roads. It was raining very recapitulated as follows:

John Taylor, Q. M. G., in account with G. A. B. Dr. Cash balance on hand July 31, Cash from U. S. bonds called in for redemption Received from sale of supplies 45,793 28 as per abstract Received from per capita tax as 8,274 77 per abstract... Received from charter fees as per abstract \$166 00 Received from int. on investm'ts, as per abstract, etc ...

Total to be accounted for \$61,363 55 \$54,363 65 CR. Expenditures as per abstractalaries... Traveling expenses 1,496 75 Incidentals, postage, freight, etc...... 8,078 13 12,771 88 Purchase of supplies, as per abstract.....

. \$48,988 03 48,988 03 Total expenditures ... Balance cash on hand June 30, 1884...... \$15,375 63 Cash on hand ... Due by Departments. \$2,748 91 Less due Dep'ts..... 75 13

JUDGE ADV.-GEN'S. REPORT

Total Absence of Vexations Disputes. Judge Adv.-Gen. Wm. Vandever reports from Dubuque, Iowa, that—

No important decisions have been rendered during the year which affect the general work of the organization. Minor questions have arisen, and been referred to this office by the Commander-inchief replies to which be by the Commander-in-Chief, replies to which have generally been indered upon the papers, referred, and returned.

* The freedom of our organization from elosely shaven, and had a small goates, very light vexatious disputes and perplexing legal controversies during the year just closed is a matter of great congratulation. The signal ability displayed pain. ng the true intent and meaning of the Rules md Regulations has made the discharge of my duties pleasant and comparatively light.

"Lady" or "Woman."

What distinction should be made between the terms "lady" and "woman?" This question arises not unfrequently in London, where in the slums every costermonger's wife is described as the lady next door, and in France it is at present one of the vexed questions of the day. Parisians, it is said, no longer acknowledge the word lady. With them every member of the other sex is always women, while the squires | she went on, quietly. of the provinces are offended if their wives are called women. Where, then, should the line a distinguished fighter. He did splendid service be drawn? It would sound strange to say "the during the war." women of the ballet," or "the women of the corps diplomatique," but it would be equally war," she said, "but I have met General Sherunfamiliar to say "a virtuous lady," or a man several times, and do you know, George, "pretty lady." If town and country cannot | that he always kissed me? He is a great soldier, agree on the point, it would perhaps be well and I admire him immensely." that the French Academy should speak a decisive word and lay down rules for the correct | Sherman is a great soldier." use of disputed terms .- Pall Mall Gazetts.

He Forzot Bimself. Western Cowboy-You people in the East here all look alike to me. Eastern Friend-That, I suppose, is caused by the similarity of costume; but you should observe faces more closely. I can tell any man at a glance.

"I don't see how you do it."
"All that is needed is a little study of physiognomy. By the way, there goes the author of 'Over the Garden Wall.'"

"Where-where?" "Right over there." "By George, what a chance! Quick, let meoh, hang it, I forgot!" "Forgot what?"

"That in the East it's agin the law to shoot." Flies, Roaches, ants, bed-bugs, rats, mice, cleared out by "Rough on Rats." 15c.



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To THE EDITOR: Your answer to correspondent inquiring date of Col. Dahlgren's death, in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of July 10, is incorrect. Dahlgren was killed on the night of the 3d of March, 1864, in, I think, King William County, east of the Mattapony River, and about 30 miles from Richmond. My regiment went up the Peninsula from Williamsburg to co-operate with Kilpatrick in an attempt to seize Richmond. Kilpatrick was at White House on the Pamunkey March 3. Dahlgren was ambushed in the night in the woods, and shot by guerrillas (farmers by day, soldiers by night). Kilpatrick took our regiment and the 11th Pa. Cav., crossed the York at Gloucester, and penetrated King and Queen County to the spot where he was killed. From negroes and others Headquarters of Kentucky and find them in a very unsatisfactory condition. Commander W. H. Harton assumed command of this Department caught some of them, burned their houses and barns, destroyed the camp of the 9th Va. tration a roster of 23 Posts, with a membership of | Cav., and in fact searched King and Queen, not because they killed Dahlgren-that was war, but because they cut off one of his fingers on which was a diamond ring, and also, for additional reason, that those that killed him were "Confederates fighting on their own account;" they were not regularly mustered into the servhave mustered three Posts, and have granted charters for four more. To-day the Department has 26 Posts, with a membership of 1,024. The Assistant Adjutant-General and Assistant Quarter-uniformed, that they may be recognized by day uniformed, that they may be recognized by day as well as at night. I send you, copied from the Richmond Dispatch of March 10, 1864, an account of the disposal of his body. Note the fact lition the Department is in at this date. Only three | that Dablgren was in uniform; his murderers confiscated his uniform coat and cloak, also his ontaide woolen shirt (that every officer were); consequently the word "masassinate" does not fit him ;-assassins do not wear uniforms.

I remember an incident in our search for him that I think would be interesting to your readers that followed Kilpatrick. When we the accounts of the year with itemized state- | were in King and Queen, about March 10, 1864, hard. Our horses were tied to the lences; the barns were speedily emptied of corn and hay for horse and man; fences were piled up in great heaps and fired. Around every fire a company gathered. The wood was handy and plenty and the heat was great, so that, with the falling rain and our wet clothes, the steam made the scene weird. Kilpatrick stood on the road with his back to the fire drying himself. A woman came down the road inquiring for the General. He was pointed out to her. She immediately gave him a piece of her mind. She was a good talker. She denounced us for burning her fances, stealing her corn, etc., cursed the Yankees, and got into quite an argument on the laws of war. Of course she did not have all the say, for our General could talk some, too. He said something to her that nettled her, for she drew herself up to her full hight, and, with a look of disdain, said she was an "F. F. V." Then I remember him saying to her that if history was true, the mothers of Virginia's first families were shipped from London for England's good, and were purchased by the first fathers of Virginia at so many pounds of tobacco a head, according to choice, from the Captain of the ship that brought them over to Hampton, Va. Here is the extract from the Richmond

On Sunday morning last the body of Col. Ulris Dahlgren, one of the leaders of the late Yankee raid on this city, and on whose body the papers revealing their designs, if successful, were found, was brought to this city on the York River Railroad train, and remained in the car (beggage) in which it was till yesterday afternoon, when it was transferred to some retired burial place. The ob-ject in bringing Dahlgren's body here was for idenification, and was visited, among others, by Capt. Dement and Mr. Monteastle, of this city, who were ecently captured and taken around by the raiders. These gentlemen readily recognized it as that of the leader of the band sent to assassinate the President and burn the city. The appearance of the corpec yesterday was decidedly more genteel than

y my predecessors in office in settling and deter- -W. H. Armstrong, 1st N. Y. Mounted Rifles, Greenville, Hudson Co., N. J.

Not Huch of a Hero. [From the N. Y. Sun.]

They were enjoying the river view by moonlight at West Point, and George, with his gray uniform, looked every inch a soldier. "George," she remarked softly, "de you ever expect to become a great general? Like Sherman, for instance?" George rather allowed that he did not expect

"I have always admired General Sherman," "Yes," George replied, General Sherman is

"I don't remember very much shout the

"Yes, indeed," acquiesed George. "General And then she complained of the chill in the air, and as they returned, George wondered why she was silent.

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